

## **BUILDING OUR SOUTH DAKOTA RURAL COMMUNITIES (BOSDRC) GRANT**

The South Dakota Department of Agriculture has grant funding available through the Building Our South Dakota Rural Communities (BOSDRC) grant program.

Grants are open to 4-H Clubs, FFA Chapters, and Family Career and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA) Chapters. These grants were developed to demonstrate the importance of rural communities and the value of organizations working together to improve rural life.

Student participation is required. Funding is scored on the following criteria:

- Community involvement
- Accomplishment of educational and project goals
- Justification of community need/benefit
- Supporting documentation
- Complete application and detailed budget

There are two types of grants available:

**BASIC:** The basic grant is used for community improvement projects and is limited to \$750 per project.

**SAFETY:** The safety grant is used for projects that enhance public safety and is limited to \$200 per project.

Any 4-H club or FFA/FCCLA chapter in South Dakota can apply for the grant. Applications are **due by October 31 annually**. Awards are announced at the end of November. Progress reports and completion reports are required for successful applicants.

All applications must be submitted on the approved forms for fiscal year 2015. Grant application forms and more information are available on the department's website at <http://sdda.sd.gov/> under the Agricultural Development tab and then click on Finance Programs or by calling 605.773.5436.